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ended February 27: Enteric fever, 7 cases, 5 deaths; diphtheria, 7

cases, 4 deaths.

It is reported that a case of smallpox appeared on board the British steamer Kwang Ping, which arrived at Nagasaki on February 27 from Tsin-hwan-tao, bringing Japanese refugees.

Immigrants recommended for rejection.

Number of immigrants per steamship Shawmut, for Tacoma, recom-

mended March 3 for rejection, 11.

Number of immigrants per steamship Siberia, recommended, February 24, for rejection: For Honolulu, 6; for San Francisco, 10. Tentative diagnosis in 1 case. Advised to postpone sailing.

PANAMA.

Report from Colon—Inspection of vessels.

Surgeon Perry reports, March 14, as follows:

Week ended March 12, 1904: U. S. S. Dixie for Philadelphia, March 6, with 250 crew and one batallion of Marines (400); American schooner Anna M. Stammer for Pascagoula, Miss., March 7, with 9 crew and no passes; American steamship Seguranca for New York, March 8, with 66 crew and 17 passengers; British steamship Antillian for New Orleans, March 9, with 55 crew and 36 passengers; Spanish steamship Montserrat for Ponce, Porto Rico, March 12, with 91 crew and 66 passengers.

All vessels except the U. S. S. Dixie were inspected and departed

in good sanitary condition.

 $Report\ from\ city\ of\ Panama-Inspection\ of\ vessels-Mortality\ statistics.$

Assistant Surgeon Pierce reports, March 14, as follows:

Week ended March 13, 1904. One vessel cleared for San Francisco on March 9, having on board 62 officers and crew, 11 cabin passengers,

and 9 steerage passengers, all well.

There were 31 deaths from all causes. Although this is the dry season there have been two very heavy rains during the week, which has added greatly to the comfort of the people by settling the dust of the streets.

Mortality, week ended March 13, 1904.

Phthisis	2	Scurvy 1
		Beriberi 1
		Liver disease 1
Dysentery	2	Suicide
		Colic
Debility	1	Parturition
Tuberculosis	8	Stillbirth 1
Croup	1	

Many of the diagnoses are unscientific and doubtful, but are copied from the official records. During the first thirteen days of this month, March, 1904, there have occurred 62 deaths in a population estimated at 18,000.